



From the Office of
U.S. Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy
Florida's Seventh Congressional District

MEMO: 100+ Days Report

*A Brief Summary of Congresswoman Murphy's Work in
Her First 100+ Days in Office*

INTRODUCTION

U.S. Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy spent the first 100+ days of her term working to get results for the people of central Florida. Below is a report reviewing her work and accomplishments in the first 100+ days of her term beginning on Jan. 3, 2017, and running through April 24.

Congresswoman Murphy held to her major priorities in her legislative agenda: job creation and economic development; supporting small businesses; protecting health care; strengthening national security; investing in transportation and infrastructure; and bridging the partisan divide. In spite of a Congress paralyzed by partisanship, Congresswoman Murphy continues to pursue bipartisan, commonsense solutions on numerous issues. While pledging to work with the White House on areas of common ground, such as transportation and infrastructure, she is also holding the Trump Administration accountable.

Chief among Murphy's accomplishments are successfully leading a public effort to remove Steve Bannon from the National Security Council; successfully resolving casework that recovered more than \$125,000 for constituents; leading a national, bipartisan effort to call attention to JCC bomb threats and the eventual capture of the perpetrator; and, helping to reunite two families separated by President Trump's unconstitutional and poorly-executed Muslim ban.

Finally, more than 2,000 constituents have attended numerous public events Congresswoman Murphy has held since taking office, including town halls, meet-and-greets, and coffees.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & CAUCUSES

Congresswoman Murphy secured seats on two influential committees in the U.S. House, as well as four subcommittees important to Central Florida. She also secured a Subcommittee Ranking Member position – a rare accomplishment for a freshman Members of Congress.

- **Armed Services Committee**
 - Member, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, with jurisdiction over special operations, counter-terrorism, and cyber-security.
 - Member, Subcommittee on Readiness, which oversees military training and equipment.
- **Small Business Committee**
 - Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, with jurisdiction over the Small Business Administration's federal procurement and entrepreneurial development programs.
 - Member, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax, and Capital Access, with jurisdiction over SBA lending programs.

Congresswoman Murphy also joined the following House caucuses, many of which reflect her desire to work with both parties to get things done:

- **Bipartisan Working Group**, *an informal group of Democratic and Republican members that meet weekly to find areas of common ground;*
- **Blue Dog Coalition**, *a group of fiscally conservative Democrats focused on fiscal responsibility and national security who is leading the fight to pass No Budget, No Pay;*
- **Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus**, *comprised of Members who are committed to addressing the needs and concerns of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community;*
- **Congressional LGBT Equality Caucus**, *a bipartisan group of Members working to extend equal rights, repeal discriminatory laws, eliminate hate-motivated violence, and improve the health and well-being of all Americans;*
- **Future Forum, New Member Vice Chair**, *a group of young Members focused on engaging Millennials across this country in the political process;*
- **New Democrat Coalition**, *Co-Chair of Housing Task Force, a group of moderate, pro-growth Democrats dedicated to maintaining America's standing as the world's strongest, most successful nation – Murphy leads the group's Taskforce on Affordable Housing; &*
- **Problem Solvers Caucus**, *a coalition of Democratic and Republican members who work closely with No Labels to encourage bipartisanship in Congress.*

BILLS

Congresswoman Murphy sponsored three bills and cosponsored 46 others, including 18 introduced by Republicans. The Congresswoman introduced:

- H.R. 804, the *Protect the National Security Council from Political Interference Act*, cosponsored by more than 180 Members aimed at depoliticizing the National Security Council (NSC) by prohibiting anyone whose purpose is primarily political in nature from serving on the NSC. After becoming one of the most cosponsored bills in the entire Congress, the Trump administration eventually removed political strategist Steve Bannon from the NSC. The bill, if passed into law, would prevent future political strategists from either party from ever serving on the NSC.
- H.R.1478, the *Gun Violence Research Act*, cosponsored by 39 Members of Congress and would allow the CDC and other HHS agencies to sponsor fact-based research into the causes of and treatments for gun violence, essentially repealing the Dickey Amendment. Congresswoman Murphy invited Dr. Marc Levy, who helped save lives as a surgeon during the Pulse tragedy and is a gun violence research advocate, to the President's Joint Address to Congress in February to draw attention to the issue.
- H.R. 2056, the *Microloan Modernization Act*, to help facilitate loans to nonprofit microlenders in central Florida and across America.

FLOOR ACTIONS

Congresswoman Murphy delivered seven major speeches on the floor of the U.S. House in her first 100+ days:

- 1/5/17: [Floor Speech](#) on defending the Affordable Care Act by introducing an amendment to keep young people on their parents' health insurance plan until 26;
- 1/10/17: [Floor Speech](#) on H.R. 79, supporting the HALOS Act to connect startups and small firms with angel investors;
- 2/1/17: [Floor Speech](#) on H.R. 804, on introducing the *Protect the National Security Council From Political Interference Act of 2017*;
- 2/14/17: [Floor Speech](#) on H.R. 804, on urging support for her bill, *Protect the National Security Council From Political Interference Act of 2017*;
- 3/2/17: [Floor Speech](#) on supporting Puerto Rican statehood;
- 3/9/17: [Floor Speech](#) on introducing H.R. 1748, the *Gun Violence Research Act*; and,
- 4/5/17: [Floor Speech](#) on praising the removal of Steve Bannon from NSC.

OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS

Congresswoman Murphy authored or co-authored six letters to support small business and community safety programs and to urge action on infrastructure and national security. They are:

- A letter to President Trump, with Democratic and Republican members of the Problem Solvers Caucus, requesting a meeting to discuss tax reform and infrastructure investment;
- A letter to President Trump and the Office of Management and Budget urging the Administration to prioritize transportation infrastructure programs in central Florida;
- A letter to the House Appropriations Committee to support robust funding for SBA's Entrepreneurial Development Programs;
- A letter to the House Appropriations Committee to support robust funding for DOD's National Guard Counterdrug program;
- A letter to the House Appropriations Committee to support U.S. Department of Commerce's Manufacturing Extension Program; and,
- A letter to the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice to advise Congress on the steps taken to deter and prosecute the perpetrators of a nation-wide wave of bomb threats to Jewish Community Centers.

CONSTITUENT SERVICES

Congresswoman Murphy helped secure the safe re-entry of Askar Sahebjam, the Iranian father of an Orlando brain surgeon, and Mojtaba Shirazi, an Iranian PhD student at the University of Central Florida – reuniting them with their families. Additionally, Congresswoman Murphy's office has recovered \$125,543 for constituents through casework with various federal agencies.

As a part of Congresswoman Murphy's commitment to community engagement and listening to her constituents, she has hosted numerous public events since taking office. More than 2,000 constituents have attended listening session town halls, roundtables, meet-and-greets, Coffees with Your Congresswoman, and other public events hosted by Congresswoman Murphy in the following cities:

- Casselberry
- Maitland
- Orlando – South Orlando
- Orlando – Downtown Orlando
- Orlando – UCF
- Oviedo
- Sanford – Downtown Sanford
- Sanford – West Sanford
- Winter Park (3 events)
- Winter Springs